

San Diego Workforce Innovation High School
2026 – 2027 Quarter 1 English Learner Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes

August 27, 2026 @ 5:30 PM – 4348 54th St, San Diego, CA 92115

Attendees		
Parents: 46	Students: 28	Staff: 14

I. Welcome and Introductions

- a. The meeting started at 5:35 PM
- b. Lapadula-
 - i. my name is Ryan Lapadula, and I am thankful that you were able to come today to our ELAC/PAC meeting tonight. In this meeting, we get to hear from our parents and celebrate all of our students who have worked so hard this semester.
 - ii. ELAC: English Learner Advisory Committee, this is our agenda
 - iii. We will have time for feedback as well.
 - iv. Our agenda is going over what ELAC is, talk about LCAP, NWEA testing, and the fun part- reclassification for our English Learners.
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II. What is ELAC?

- a. Lapadula:



- i. ELAC stands for English Learner Advisory Committee. It is a school-level group for parents, staff, and community members to advise school leaders on programs and services for students learning English. We are looking for parents to be part of the committee membership.
- ii. I will now invite Ms. Sanchez to deliver this information in Spanish.
- b. Ms. Sanchez: *explains ELAC in Spanish*

III. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)

- a. Lapadula: Now we have a quick 4 minute video that will explain information about the LCAP goals.
- b. Video shown: LCAP update, with web address/QR code:
 - i. The LCAP is good for 3 years, we are in the third year. We will draft a new one for the next 3 year cycle during this year.
 - ii. Four main goals for LCAP:
 - 1. Academic progress (committed about 25 million dollars for this goal)
 - 2. Prepare students for college and careers (26 million)
 - 3. Help to keep students engaged, supported, and on track to graduate (3 million dollars)
 - 4. Families, staff, and community members given a voice /committee engagement (1/2 million)
 - iii. Explains CSI:
 - 1. We work diligently to improve these metric this school year
 - 2. DA: differentiated assistance, based on CA dashboard results. In 2025, we were in the red for graduation rate, CCI, ELA, and math
 - 3. This year, we expect to see positive growth when the results will be released October 15.
 - 4. Thank you for your time, this concludes our presentation.
- c. Lapadula: explains relationship between parent/guardian feedback and the LCAP goals.
 - i. For the next couple of slides, we will go over LCAP a little bit and make it a little more relevant for everyone here. Clarified that our charter has 11 campuses across the region, that is where the funding overall is going. Four goals-
 - 1. Increase academic performance: 2 main metrics are students turning in 2+ core credits and 4+ credits each learning period
 - 2. All students will gain skills for college and career: we are doing a HUGE push as a school to bring in our CTE pathway offerings, so students can join different pathways depending on their interests, and dual enrollment offerings (completing college credits while still

in high school) and our JAG program (Jobs for American Graduates, run by Ms. Chloe)

3. Increase retention rate: our goal is to have attendance at 93% (93% turning in the credits they need to each learning period). Graduation rate for one year cohort 90%+ (we graduated 96% this past year!). We are also looking to increase 4/5 cohort graduation rate by 5%
4. Increase educational partner engagement (reaching out to parents/guardians more, get more parent feedback, parent conferences, parent meetings). For this meeting tonight, we get your feedback and help implement that feedback at our school.

IV. NWEA Testing

- a. Lapadula- we are going to start our NWEA testing on October 19. It is our local assessment to measure student growth in English and Math; it is a great opportunity to showcase their skills and what they have learned.

V. Reclassification

- a. Lapadula- ELAC committee (students who first language is not English or have a primary language other than English at home). Goal is to have all English Learners become fluent English speakers. The ELPAC is a very challenging test, especially challenging to increase a level from a 1 to a 2 to a 3 to a 4. So, for all students who achieved a 4 on the ELPAC, it is a huge deal for reclassification to English Fluent Proficient. These students met all criteria and are now reclassified as fluent English Speakers!
- b. Lapadula- Right now, I will hand this over to Ms. Sanchez to convey these points in Spanish, and then to Mrs. Morales to present the reclassification awards.

VI. Reclassification Awards

- a. Sanchez-
- b. Mrs. Morales-
 - i. *presents awards to Fabean Gonzalez*
 - ii. Fabean Gonzalez, he has improved his English incredibly and is now classified as Fluent English Proficient.
- c. Lapadula-
 - i. at this time, teachers will come around to different tables to facilitate these conversation points: What additional support would help your student become proficient in English?
- d. *Teachers and staff members pass out quarter sheet questions and facilitate conversations with students and family members*

VII. Feedback

- a. Increasing Attendance & Communication:



- i. “Have presentations (verbally translated), and flyers translated into parents languages.”
 - ii. “Make events and meetings at a later time, around 5 PM, it is a good time when people are free.”
 - iii. “Making a calendar with the events for the month.”
- b. Language Support & Academic Suggestions:
 - i. “Field trips to library, reading clubs, more events where students can interact with other students.”
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 - iii. “Field trips to library, reading clubs, more events where students can interact with other students.”

VIII. Next Meeting Date

- a. Our next one is November 10, 2026.

IX. Adjournment

- a. The meeting adjourned at 5:56 PM